



California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Coast Region



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

FOR THE

2009 Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coast Basin

Basin Plan Triennial Review

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (Central Coast Water Board) is seeking public input on priority issues to direct updates to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan). The Basin Plan designates beneficial uses for water bodies in the Central Coast Region, and establishes water quality objectives and implementation plans to protect those beneficial uses. Both state and federal laws mandate the periodic review and update of Basin Plans. This periodic review is known as the "Triennial Review" because federal law requires that state water quality standards be reviewed every three years.

The primary purpose of the Basin Plan Triennial Review is to review water quality standards (e.g., beneficial uses and water quality objectives) and other aspects of the Basin Plan, and determine if updates are needed to keep pace with water quality priorities, applicable regulations, advances in science and technology, and/or physical changes in the Region.

Public Hearing

The Central Coast Water Board will hold a public hearing to consider priority issues that will be used to direct basin planning efforts over the next three years.

Date: **July 10, 2009**
Time: 8:30 am
Location: Watsonville City Council Chambers
275 Main Street - 4th Floor
Watsonville, CA 95076

Request for Public Input and Public Workshop

Public participation is an important part of the Basin Plan Triennial Review process. This notice solicits input on priority issues to direct updates to the Central Coast Water Board's Basin Plan. Draft issue descriptions for the 2009 Basin Plan Triennial Review will be posted by April 10, 2009, at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/publications_forms/publications/basin_plan/triennial_review/index.shtml. Written comments on any basin planning issues are invited during a 45-day comment period from **April 10, 2009 to May 26, 2009**.

An informational **Public Workshop** on the Basin Plan Triennial Review will be held:

Date: **April 22, 2009**

Time: 9:00 to 11:45 a.m.

Location: Central Coast Water Board
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101, Board Room
San Luis Obispo, CA

Note that a separate Public Workshop will be held in the afternoon at the same location to receive public comments on the Central Coast 2008 *Integrated Report* for the 303(d) List of Impaired Waters and the 305(b) Water Quality Assessment.

The location of the public hearing and public workshop is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact **Carol Hewitt** at **805-549-3503** at least five working days prior to the event. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922. Directions to the public hearing and public workshop locations are available at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/2009/2009_agendas.shtml.

Comments received during the 45-day public comment period may not be received in time to be addressed prior to the April 22, 2009 public workshop. Comments received prior to May 26, 2009 will be considered for inclusion in the draft priority list that will be released to the public in preparation for the July 2009 Board Hearing agenda item. After public input is considered, the Central Coast Water Board will develop and adopt by resolution a final list of priority issues that will be used to direct basin planning efforts over the next three years.

Submittal of Comments

Please send comments to:

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Include the words "Basin Plan Triennial Review" in the subject line of your communication. A Triennial Review Comment Submittal Form is provided at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/publications_forms/publications/basin_plan/triennial_review/index.shtml

Deadline for Comments

The deadline for comments is **May 26, 2009** at 5:00 p.m. Comments received after 5:00 p.m. on May 26, 2009 may not be incorporated into staff's recommendation to the Board when it is distributed to the public prior to the Board Hearing. However, all comments will be considered and included in the staff report presented to the Board at the hearing on July 10, 2009.

To Receive Triennial Review Information

The Central Coast Water Board is finalizing the Basin Plan Triennial Review Interested Parties List. To receive Triennial Review information, please subscribe to the Basin Planning Triennial Review electronic mailing list at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg3_subscribe.shtml or request to have Triennial Review information sent to you via U. S. Mail. Persons not subscribing to the electronic mailing list or requesting hard copy information will not be included on the interested parties list.

Staff Contacts

Confirmation of the hearing date and any questions regarding the Basin Plan Triennial Review should be directed to Mr. Steven Saiz, Project Lead, at (805) 549-3879, ssaiz@waterboards.ca.gov or Angela Schroeter, Unit Supervisor, at (805) 542-4644, aschroeter@waterboards.ca.gov.

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